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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov/</u>.)

Statutory Revision Committee. The bill makes the following technical revisions to the procurement code (code):

- Provides the correct cross-reference to the definition of information technology (section 1 of the bill);
- Updates the terminology used in the definition of solicitation to refer to "an electronic procurement system" instead of "an electronic bidding system" to remain consistent with other provisions of the code (section 1);

- Updates terminology in the statute authorizing delegation of the executive director of the department of personnel's purchasing authority to clarify that delegation is to a "governmental body", as defined in the code, instead of to a "department" or an "agency", and, in conformity with that change, that an "official" is an "elected" official (section 2);
- Clarifies the method of compiling and soliciting from lists of potential contractors (section 3);
- Updates references to the United States department of veterans affairs to instead be "the appropriate United States agency" (section 4); and
- Changes a reference from "public procurement unit" to "local public procurement unit" in a list in the cooperative purchasing statute that already includes "public procurement unit" (section 5).
- 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
- 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-101-301, amend
- 3 the introductory portion, (28), and (43) as follows:
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24-101-301. Definitions. The terms defined in this section shall 5 have the following meanings whenever they appear in this code, unless 6 the context in which they are used clearly requires a different meaning or 7 a different definition is prescribed for a particular article or portion 8 thereof:

9 (28) "Procurement" means buying, purchasing, renting, leasing, 10 or otherwise acquiring any supplies, services, or construction. 11 "Procurement" includes all functions that pertain to the obtaining of any 12 supply, service, or construction, including description of requirements, 13 selection and solicitation of sources, preparation and award of contract, 14 and all phases of contract administration. "Procurement" also includes the 15 procurement of information technology as defined in section 24-37.5-102 16 (11) SECTION 24-37.5-102 (12).

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1	(43) "Solicitation" means all documents and related information,
2	whether attached or incorporated by reference, published on an electronic
3	bidding PROCUREMENT system in connection with a procurement prior to
4	the response deadline.
5	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-102-202, amend
6	(3) as follows:
7	24-102-202. Authority of the executive director and chief
8	procurement officer - delegation of authority - rules. (3) Subject to
9	rules, the executive director may delegate his or her THE EXECUTIVE
10	DIRECTOR'S purchasing authority to designees or to any department,
11	agency, GOVERNMENTAL BODY or ELECTED official.
12	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 24-103-402
13	as follows:
14	24-103-402. Prequalification of suppliers. Prospective suppliers
15	may be prequalified for particular types of supplies, services, and
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evaluation within the APPROPRIATE United States department of veterans

1 affairs AGENCY.

(3) When a state agency intends to award a contract to a business
in furtherance of the three percent goal specified in subsection (2) of this
section, the state agency shall, prior to awarding the contract, require the
business to submit to the agency documentation from the APPROPRIATE
United States department of veterans affairs AGENCY that verifies that the
business is a service-disabled veteran-owned small business.

8 SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-110-201, amend
9 (4)(c) as follows:

24-110-201. Cooperative purchasing authorized. (4) Unless
 otherwise approved by the chief procurement officer, the procurement
 official shall comply with the following order of priority for the use of
 cooperative purchasing agreements:

14 (c) Third, LOCAL public procurement unit or external public
15 procurement unit cooperative purchasing agreements.

16 SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 17 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 18 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except 19 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V 20 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this 21 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take 22 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 23 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 24 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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